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The Honorable Ronnie Abrams  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
40 Foley Square  
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Jason Galanis et al.  
16-cr-371

The undersigned represents Bevan Cooney in the above-referenced matter. I write in response to the Court's order scheduling a conference for 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 26, 2017 (ECF Dkt. No. 254) to respectfully requests that the Court excuse Mr. Cooney's personal appearance at this Thursday's conference.

Counsel for Mr. Cooney explained in previous letters that Mr. Cooney lives in Montana and is facing financial difficulty.

For the above reasons, I respectfully request that the Court excuse Mr. Cooney's personal appearance at the upcoming conference.

Respectfully submitted,

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